

Vanity Perfins: Roberta M. Coltman

Roberta M. Coltman started collecting perfins because her father couldn't bear to throw them away. When he found a perfin, he would mount it at the bottom of the page in his collection. Roberta got the perfins because she could have them without bothering his "real" collection.

There must have also been a few precancels down there too because Coltman wound up with impressive collections of both.

In the 1980s, she decided to have her own perfin: the RCM monogram shown here. It's in the U.S. catalog as R33.5P.



If you don't have a copy of her perfin in your vanity collection, send her a current stamp or two and a stamped self-addressed return envelope and she'll help you out. You can reach her at Box 102, Clearlake, CA 95422.

The *Bulletin's* request to her was delayed for a while because, she says, her daughter straightened up her stamp room and she couldn't find the perforator for a while. She has it located now, so replies should be fairly timely.

Coltman is 88 but she is still an active participant in PSS/Perfins Club annual conventions.

She served as finance chairman for the 2000 show in Albuquerque and is very active in the Golden Gate Precancel Club.

And when she isn't busy with precancels and perfins and U.S. plate blocks and other stamp collections, Coltman says she is working on her life master's rating in bridge.